

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application, as amended, and allowance of all claims in view of the remarks herein are respectfully requested.

In Applicant's Response to Office Action mailed on December 13, 2001, Applicant canceled claims 153-158 in response to Paper No. 18. Applicant requested that the Examiner notify Applicant immediately if the claims are part of Invention I since these claims had previously been allowed. On January 30, 2002, the Examiner left a voice mail message stating that claims 153-158 are part of Invention I, and that the Office Action contained a typographical error. Applicant now wishes to re-instate the canceled claims by adding claims 209-214, which are identical to the previously allowed claims 153-158; therefore no new matter has been introduced by this amendment.

For the reasons discussed above, Applicant respectfully requests that the following claims be allowed: 65-123, 129, 137-140, 163-166 and 168-214. If any of the claims not previously allowed presents an obstacle to getting this patent issued, Applicant requests that the Examiner call his attorney to discuss potential solutions.

Respectfully submitted,
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